

Notice of Allowability

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Examiner

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to amendment after final of 10/12/04.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 137-139, 142-153, 163-169, 172-183, 185, 186, 189-199, 201-207, 221-228, 231-239, 241-249 and 252-255.
3. ☒ The drawings filed on 03 August 2001 are accepted by the Examiner.
4. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
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 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

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5. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
6. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
7. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08), Paper No./Mail Date _____
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material

5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6. ☒ Interview Summary (PTO-413), Paper No./Mail Date 11/10/04.
7. ☒ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☐ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other _____.


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EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a) is required in order to make an examiner's amendment which places this application in condition for allowance. During a telephone conversation conducted on H. Duane Switzer, the examiner requested an extension of time for 2 MONTH(S) and authorized the Director to charge Deposit Account No. 501432 the required fee of \$210 for this extension and authorized the following examiner's amendment. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

The application has been amended as follows: in claims 137, 138, 139, 142, 143, 144, and 145, please change the status identifiers of these claims from "allowed" to – previously presented—as set forth below:

137. (previously presented) A composition that includes a solid state film forming substance and an inert binder pressed into a tablet, said film forming substance being an alkylsilsesquioxane polymer.

138. (previously presented) The composition of claim 137 wherein 10-50% by weight of said composition is said film forming substance.

139. (previously presented) The composition of claim 137 wherein said binder is a metal oxide.

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142. (previously presented) A composition that includes a solid state film forming substance and an inert binder pressed into a metal cup, said film forming substance being an alkylsilsesquioxane polymer.

143. (previously presented) A composition that includes a solid state film forming alkylsilsesquioxane polymer and an inert binder, said alkylsilsesquioxane polymer being derived from R_mSiX_n , where R is C_{18} , X is an ethoxy group, m is 1-3, n is 1-3 and $m+n$ equal 4.


144. (previously presented) A composition that includes a solid state film forming alkylsilsesquioxane polymer and an inert binder, said alkylsilsesquioxane polymer being derived from octadecyltrichlorosilane.

145. (previously presented) A solid state composition consisting essentially of a solid state inert binder that carries a heat vaporizable, solid state alkylsilsesquioxane polymer.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Jeffrey B. Robertson whose telephone number is (571) 272-1092. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon-Fri 7:00-3:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Randy P Gulakowski can be reached on (571) 272-1302. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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